



Module 4: TRICARE Prime Remote



Module Objectives

After this module, you should be able to:

- Describe some of the key features of TRICARE Prime Remote
- Note charges associated with TRICARE Prime Remote
- Discuss how TRICARE Prime Remote enrolled active duty member seeks medical care



TRICARE Prime Remote

- TRICARE Prime Remote (TPR) is a managed care option similar to TRICARE Prime
 - TPR provides TRICARE Prime-like coverage to active duty service members and their family who are assigned to remote locations in the continental United States
- TPR defines remote locations as those areas that are an hour's drive or greater than 50 miles from a military treatment facility



TRICARE Prime Remote

Eligibility

- Must be registered in DEERS
- Available to the following beneficiaries:
 - Active duty (AD) service members
 - Active duty family members (ADFM) - must live with the sponsor
 - Certain Guard/Reserve and their eligible family members

Enrollment

- An enrollment form is required
- There are no enrollment fees

Military Treatment Facility Access

- AD members may be required to seek some medical care at military treatment facilities as directed
- AD enrollees have access to care priority in such cases; ADFM enrolled in Prime



TRICARE Prime Remote Costs

Status	Active Duty	Active duty family members of E1-E4	Active duty family member of E5 and above
Enrollment Fee	0	0	0
Co-payments	0	Network Retail Pharmacy: \$3/ \$9/ \$22 Non-network Retail Pharmacy: \$300/\$600 point of service deductible and 50% cost share	Network Retail Pharmacy: \$3/ \$9/ \$22 Non-network Retail Pharmacy: \$300/\$600 point of service deductible and 50% cost share
Deductibles	0	0	0
Catastrophic Cap*	0	\$1,000 per family per fiscal year	\$1,000 per family per fiscal year

***NOTE:** The catastrophic cap is the maximum amount per fiscal year a beneficiary pays out-of-pocket for TRICARE-covered services or supplies.



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The following beneficiaries **may** enroll in TRICARE Prime Remote if they live and work in remote ZIP codes.

- **Active duty service members**
 - TRICARE Prime/TRICARE Prime Remote are their only TRICARE options
- **National Guard members**
 - When on Federal active duty orders for more than 30 consecutive days
- **Reservists**
 - When on active duty orders for more than 30 consecutive days
- **Eligible active duty family members**
 - Enroll in TRICARE Prime Remote Active Duty Family Member option



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Enrollment Process:

- TRICARE Prime Remote eligible beneficiaries must complete an enrollment form
 - The form may be submitted to the regional contractor via mail
 - The form may be submitted to the local TRICARE Service Center
 - The form may be submitted online via the Beneficiary Web Enrollment Website
- Family member enrollment in TRICARE Prime Remote follows the **20th of the month rule**
 - When the enrollment form is submitted before the 20th of the month, Prime coverage begins on the first day of the next month
 - When the enrollment form is submitted on the 21st through the end of the month, Prime coverage begins on the first day of the second month
- The 20th of the month rule does not apply to active duty service members
 - Active duty service members are enrolled immediately



Seeking Care When Enrolled in TRICARE Prime Remote

- TRICARE Prime Remote (TPR) network Primary Care Manager must be used if available
- Medical care for TPR enrollees may be sought from a network provider. If none are available, they may go to a local civilian TRICARE-authorized provider
 - See Module 3, “TRICARE Options” for information on provider types
- Enrollees simply show their Uniformed Services Identification Card at the time of their appointment
- Network providers submit claims for treatment rendered directly to TRICARE
- The Service Point of Contact (SPOC) is a person or uniformed services office responsible for coordinating civilian health care for TPR enrolled active duty service members (ADSM)
- The SPOC reviews requests for specialty and inpatient care to determine how it might affect the ADSMs fitness for duty based upon current service-specific guidelines and clinical standards



Congratulations! You've Completed Module 4: TRICARE Prime Remote!

You should now be able to:

- Describe some of the key features of TRICARE Prime Remote
- Describe charges associated with TRICARE Prime Remote
- Describe how the TRICARE Prime Remote enrolled active duty member seeks medical care

